

Message

From: Stepp, Cathy [stepp.cathy@epa.gov]
Sent: 6/26/2018 10:25:26 PM
To: Holst, Linda [holst.linda@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Polymet

Thanks

Cathy Stepp
Region 5 Administrator, EPA
Chicago, IL

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 26, 2018, at 4:40 PM, Holst, Linda <holst.linda@epa.gov> wrote:

Cathy –

Kevin spoke with Jeff Udd (his NPDES counterpart) and Jeff did not have the impression that EPA intended to object to the permit, and he had not gotten any indication that anyone in MPCA had that perception. Jeff said that MPCA is currently deciding whether to grant the contested case hearing requests and MPCA must coordinate with MDNR on this as MDNR also got contested case hearing requests concerning their permit to mine. Jeff said coordination with MDNR will likely happen no sooner than the end of July and a decision on the requests sometime after that. Jeff's staff is also working on responding to comments received during the comment period as well as reworking the permit.

Linda